

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 14, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 10 - 17 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

Claims 1 - 17 are pending in this application. Claims 10 - 17 have been cancelled. Claims 1 - 9 remain.

The Examiner has issued a restriction requirement. Applicant provisionally elects without traverse to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1 - 9 drawn to a treating agent.

Accordingly, reconsideration and allowance of claims 1 - 9 are requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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